

PRIME MINISTER

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ASEAN - POST-SUMMIT MEETING

The Prime Minister announced today that he had accepted an invitation from the Prime Minister of Malaysia, Datuk Hussein Onn, to attend a meeting of the leaders of the five ASEAN countries and the Prime Ministers of Australia, New Zealand and Japan.

The meeting will be held in Kuala Lumpur following the ASEAN Summit meeting on 4-5 August.

Mr Fraser said that he was looking forward to his discussions with the other Heads of Government. He expected the talks to cover international and regional matters of mutual interest.

The Prime Minister stressed the importance placed by his Government on cooperation with other countries in the South East Asian and Pacific region.

He said that a working group of officials will leave on Monday to discuss preparations for the visit with ASEAN and Japanese officials.

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